

CONCEIT A WASTING TRAIT

Woman Who is Proud and Says It Usually Comes Out After Her Marriage.

All feminine creatures, from the cradle to the grave, proceed on the basis that the male is the conqueror. This is perhaps the most universal trait of the sex who is no longer loved, but has a hand. As lover he had a wide streak of humility in his composition; a husband mostly regards humility as a waste product, writes a Woman of Forty in Harper's.

More than once I have seen some dull woman flatter her husband, and have had him tell me afterward what a fine, keen, warm-hearted little person she is. I have yet to meet the man who fails to feel that the woman who admires him has something sound and right about her. More than once I have flattered a man just to see him expand.

Indeed, it is a stupid or inexperienced woman who has not done this, and usually because she wanted to get something out of him. In his dealing with a woman it is quite easy to sell a man a gold brick. Doubtless, the well-known law of compensation works here; if men get plenty of self-satisfaction out of their self-confidence, it is something for which they have to pay the piper.

A woman of my age knows that a certain amount of self-satisfaction has been necessary to keep the race going, and that the self-satisfied type that appreciates itself most highly has been the most successful type. The trait has been very valuable to the race, at any rate in the rough-and-tumble conditions through which men have lived and struggled in evolving from the days of Pithecanthropus.

Women have done their bit in simulating this quality of conceit and self-satisfaction because they like successful men and have married them when they had the chance—which is the same thing as saying that they have married conceited men and bred conceited boys, whose conceit they fostered by praise.

MANY THINGS USED AS MONEY

Cattle, Shells and Whittier Teeth Among a Few That Are Reckoned as Currency.

When hunting was the chief occupation of man the skins of animals were the earliest means of currency, and the medium of exchange is still used by the North American Indians. Leather money was the natural successor to skins, and was used freely in Rome and Carthage, as well as being circulated in Russia as late as the reign of Peter the Great.

As civilization advanced sheep and cattle came to be regarded as the most negotiable form of wealth, and

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No Special Time for Thought.

When is the best time to think, to have truth enter our minds? Thought along a particular line can best come when the mind is unwarmed and unoccupied with other thought—the time of day has nothing to do with it.

The tired mind or the mind already active is not in condition to think. Often you have tried to read a book and been unable to follow the thought of the writer. Either your mind was tired or other vexing or more interesting thought held the ground.

Have the mind untired and undisturbed and you can think at one time as well as another.—Exchange.

Laboratory for Tribal Study.

Northern Rhodesia Hill is the happy hunting ground for the human geographer; where he may study the effects of a plateau region upon remote tribes that have been little affected by the encroachments of the white man. Here nearly a million natives inhabit an area greater than Texas where fewer than 5,000 Europeans have established themselves.—National Geographic Magazine.

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Pepps Expert Shorthand Writer.

The most famous diary ever published was that of Samuel Pepps, which was written in the Shelton system. In this diary Pepps gives a vivid account of the great plague and the great fire of London, with many intimate accounts of the court of King Charles II. Pepps was an expert shorthand writer, because he mentioned in his diary that in April, 1689, he attended the king, by command, at Newmarket, and there "took down in shorthand from his own mouth the narrative of his escape from the battle of Worcester."

It is interesting to recall that Thomas Jefferson, in a letter to his friend Beze, dated January 23, 1774, proposed that they should master Shelton's system, the one used by Pepps, so that they might have something which was intelligible to anyone else. He said: "I will send you some of these days Shelton's Tabular Alphabet and directions."

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